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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, PANAMA

- 1. CANCEL PRABHU LALL'S ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCE. THERE WILL BE NO PARTICIPANT FROM GUYANA.
- 2. ASSISTANT POLICE COMMISSIONER INFORMED ME MORNING JULY 13 LALL CANNOT ATTEND BECAUSE OF DEATH ONE OF HIS OLDER CHILDREN. HE APOLOGIZED FOR THE INCONVENIENCE THE LATE CANCELLATION WOULD CAUSE. POLICE COMMISSIONER TOLD ME LALL CANNOT ATTEND BECAUSE OF SERIOUS FAMILY PROBLEM. SENIOR OJQYVERINTWUNDENT# TOLD ME LALL CANNOT ATTEND BECAUSE OF DOUBLE WEDDING IN FAMILY. MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS OFFICIAL TOLD ME THIS MORNING HE WAS UNAWARE OF ANY FAMILY PROBLEM WITH LALL, BUT THAT FORMAL PERMISSION NOT YET RECEIVED FROM PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE. I COULD NOT CONTACT LALL DIRECTLY.

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3. I SAW CECIL ROBERTS, THE OTHER POSSIBLE ATTENDEE AFTERNOON

JULY 13. HE WAS UNAWARE OF STATE OF PLAY. HIS BOSS, SAME ASSIST-ANT COMMISSIONER WHO CANCELLED LALL'S ATTENDANCE BECAUSE OF DEATH OF CHILD, TOLD ME ROBERTS CANNOT SUBSTITUTE FOR HIM BECAUSE HE IS PRESENTLY INVOLVED IN DRAWING UP NEW TRAINING PROGRAM.

4. POLICE COMMISSIONER COMMENTED AFTERNOON JULY 13 THAT DURING PAST YEAR GUYANA HAS HAD ONLY 23 REPORTED DRUG INCIDENTS, ALMOST ALL INVOLVING MARIJUANA AND NOT ALL RESULTING IN ARREST. SO MAYBE LALL'S NON-ATTENDANCE, WHATEVER THE REASON, IS NO GREAT LOSS TO THE CONFERENCE MATTHEWS

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